Expressway between Delhi and Jaipur

2843. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:
SHRI GIREESH KUMAR SANGHI:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Finance Minister has declared construction of expressway between Delhi and Jaipur in his Budget Speech of 2006-07; and

(b) if so, by when this work is likely to be started?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI R.P.N. SINGH): (a) Yes sir,

(b) Expressway facility from Delhi to Gurgaon is already in operation. Project of construction of expressway between Gurgaon and Jaipur was to be finally selected for implementation on the basis of traffic volume. Six laning from Gurgaon to Jaipur is under progress and will be sufficient to cater traffic volume for another 10-12 years. Presently construction of a new expressway is not envisaged between Delhi and Jaipur.

Declaration of new NHs for Rajasthan

2844. SHRI MAHMOOD A. MADANI:
SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Rajasthan Government has submitted proposals for declaration of new National Highways; and

(b) if so, by when these National Highways are likely to be declared?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI R.P.N. SINGH): (a) to (b) The Government of Rajasthan has submitted proposal for declaring 24 roads of Rajasthan as National Highways. At present, emphasis is being given for development of roads already declared as National Highways instead of declaring more roads as National Highways.

Increasing cost of construction of NHs

†2845. SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:
SHRI SHIVANAND TIWARI:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the cost of construction of National Highways has increased from average Rs. 6 crore per kilometre to Rs. 12 crore per kilometres in the last two years;

(b) if so, the construction cost of the work assigned for road construction in 2005- 2006 and the construction cost estimated for 2008-09; and

(c) the reasons for increasing the construction cost?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI R.P.N. SINGH): (a) to (c) The cost of development of National Highways (NHs) depends upon the

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

type of development works, such as widening to two-lanes / 4-lanes, strengthening of weak sections, improvement of riding quality, construction of bypasses, etc. There is no unique average cost of development of NHs in general. Generally, the cost of development of NHs increases due to overall price escalation resulting in increase in cost of materials, labour, usage of machinery, etc.

Projects under NHDP-III, IV and V

2846. SHRI NANDAMURI HARIKRISHNA:
SHRI M.V. MYSURA REDDY:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise details of projects that are going to be undertaken under NHDP-III, IV and V;

(b) whether it is a fact that the NHAI relaxed the norms governing the procedure for short listing bidders for projects under NHDP Phase-III and V; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI R.P.N. SINGH): (a) The statewise details of projects planned under National Highways Development Programme Phase III, IV and V are enclosed as Statement (*See* below).

(b) to (c) The norms for shortlisting the bidders are governed by the provisions under clause 3.5.2 of the Model Request for Qualification (RFQ) issued by the Ministry of Finance for infrastructure projects undertaken on Public-Private-Partnership (PPP) basis. The provision under clause 3.5.2 of the model RFQ limiting the number of short listed bidders was deleted on 22.9.08 for roads projects. In the revised Model RFQ issued by the Ministry of Finance on 18.5.2009, this exemption from short listing of bidders is continued for road projects.

Statement

List of NHDP projects proposed to be undertaken

Sl.No.	Name of the project	State	NH No.	Length (Km.)	NHDP Phase
1	2	3	4	5	6
1	Vijayawada-Machlipatnam	Andhra Pradesh	9	65.00	III
2	Hyderabad-Yadgiri	Andhra Pradesh	202	35.65	III
3	Vijaywada to Badrachalam (km 0/0-169/6)	Andhra Pradesh	221	170	IV
4	Digmarru to Ongole	Andhra Pradesh	214A	255	IV
5	Nellore - Chilkaluripet	Andhra Pradesh	5	184.00	V
6	Vijayawada-Elluru-Rajamundry	Andhra Pradesh	5	198.00	V
7	Vishakapatnam - Rajahmundri	Andhra Pradesh	5	201	V